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Subject: Re: Kennecott

Thanks for the summary. Why don't you put the summary of the slope stability study in a letter? Good idea about the annual reclamation plan. Let's remember to do that this December.

>>> Beth Ericksen 9/4/07 12:34 PM >>>
Susan-

Per kennecott's reclamation contract with the board, I want to mention that in the forthcoming year, their annual reclamation plan should include these south dumps and associated 6 drainages. Since they are required to work with the Division in establishing those plans, there should not be any problem with them. I don't know what has been done in the past, but I would like to propose that we meet with them in the 4th quarter of 2007 and get an idea of what their 2008 plans are, then we have some time to discuss and negotiate them. This is another area where we can push for reclamation work on those 'south' dumps and associated drainages.

The slope stabilization study must continue as identified in the April 2007 map and the CNI risk assessment of 2004 is not adequate and does not fully address their 2003 plan outline. In the plan, they committed to performing:

a detailed assessment of the risk involved with EACH DRAINAGE
long term maintenance in each drainage; with and without slop stabilization
an engineering assessment and costs associated with various slope stabilization methods in each drainage
The 2004 risk assessment did not address any of the bulleted items mentioned above. The plan indicates they may reduce all south slopes except Yosemite because they need more information.

They know that erosional events will fill the sedimentation basins OFTEN, and is stated in their 2003 plan. They know that maintenance frequency will increase as a result.

I just wanted to suggest we push for having a very active role in the development of the reclamation plans for 2008 and outline some concerns they haven't addressed, but said they would.

When you hear from Doug, please let me know. Thanks!

-Beth

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